

Preserving America's Heritage

August 19, 2011

Victoria Rutson Director Office of Environmental Analysis Surface Transportation Board Washington, DC 20423

Ref: Proposed MCRR & CMR Rail Line Abandonment & Discontinuance of Service

Cass County, Missouri STB Docket # AB 1068X

Dear Ms. Rutson:

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) has received the additional documentation transmitted in response to our letter of June 27, 2011, regarding the referenced undertaking. Based upon the information you provided, we have concluded that Appendix A, *Criteria for Council Involvement in Reviewing Individual Section 106 Cases*, of our regulations, "Protection of Historic Properties" (36 CFR Part 800), does not apply to this undertaking. Accordingly, we do not believe that our participation in the consultation to resolve adverse effects is needed. However, should circumstances change, and you determine that our participation is needed to conclude the consultation process, please notify us.

Pursuant to 36 CFR §800.6(b)(1)(iv), you will need to file the final Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), developed in consultation with the Missouri State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), and any other consulting parties, and related documentation with the ACHP at the conclusion of the consultation process. The filing of the MOA and supporting documentation with the ACHP is required in order to complete the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

Thank you for providing us with your notification of adverse effect and the additional information we requested. If you have any questions or require further assistance, please contact Ms. Najah Duvall-Gabriel at 202-606-8585, or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:ngabriel@achp.gov">ngabriel@achp.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

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